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The citizens of Portsmouth have cause for general congratulation over the result of the fight for a modern dry dock at this navy yard, and in the grand victory which was won in the closing hours of congress the *Herald* feels a just amount of pride.

The naval appropriation bill which has passed carries with it one-million dollars which is to be used in changing the docks authorized to be built of wood to that of stone. It also provides that the docks shall be larger than those at first provided for.

The change means that about a half million dollars will be spent for labor in this city during the next two years besides all the material that will be required.

It is bound to place the Portsmouth navy yard in the front rank and with the new dock means that all the deep draught vessels will be obliged to come here for docking.

The passage of this bill marks a business era for Portsmouth and do more towards bringing the state to the attention of the whole world than anything that has happened in half a century.

With the completion of the dry dock and the erecting of a large military fort at Fort Constitution, this city will have two of the strongest claims for public and national attention of any city on the Atlantic coast.

Our representatives in congress are entitled to the thanks of the people of the state and the *Herald* moves a public reception to them at an early date.

Portsmouth should grow and with many other things now under way there is no reason why the old city should not boom with business. The struggle for the dock has been one of the hardest battles, and as the *Herald* has been in constant communication with every member of our delegation, it knows whereof it speaks.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.

The democrats of Ward one met at the ward room on Maplewood avenue on Saturday evening and nominated the following ticket to be supported at the polls on election day:

Aldermen—John Mooney, Chauncey B. Hoyt, William Gay Smart; Councilmen—William J. Littlefield, Arthur S. Johnson, Howard A. Winn, Albert L. Rice, Edmund Quirk, Charles H. Kehoe.

Assessors of Texee—Albion Littlefield, John E. Locke, George R. Palfrey;

Overseer of the Poor—Oscar L. Gup-

DELIGHTED WITH OUR CITY,

Dr. A. J. Lance, one of the best known physicians of Vermont, has removed to this city and opened an office in Mechanics' block. He has had five years practice in Cabot, Vt., and comes to this city with the strongest endorsements. He is a graduate of the University of Vermont, which school stands second to none. The doctor was a visitor to this city last summer and so delighted with the city and its charming surroundings that he decided to locate here.

He has taken up his residence at 56 1-2 Middle street and those who have met him predict success for him in his new field.

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CLUB NOTES.

Portsmouth Athletic Club.  
Only one game was played in the pool tournament Saturday evening, McDonough defeating Frost 100 to 89.

The billiard tournament started Saturday and two games were played off, Woods defeating Tolby 120 to 135, and Friesbee defeating Woods 130 to 139.

Portsmouth Cycle Club.

At the Cycle club Saturday seven games were played in the pool tournament, resulting as follows: Barrus defeated Crompton 100 to 89, Newick defeated Hardwood 100 to 93, Hardwood defeated Tilton 100 to 91, Crompton defeated Tilton 100 to 83, Nickerson defeated Goodwin 100 to 91, Greenwood defeated Crompton 100 to 98, Mitchell defeated Barrus 100 to 89. The following is the standing of the players to date:

	Games	Per Cent.
Greenwood	10	.988
Kehoe	14	.985
Barrus	11	.978
J. Mitchell	9	.962
Bickford	9	.960
Newick	12	.955
Goodwin	11	.910
W. Mitchell	14	.905
Nickerson	11	.895
J. Tilton	12	.890
Crompton	10	.889
Magoon	4	.885
Hardwood	5	.864
Whitehouse	10	.729
White	10	.632

OBITUARY.

William H. Dunbar, Jr.

William H. Dunbar, Jr., a member of Battery M. at Fort Constitution, died at the Cottage hospital on Saturday afternoon of cerebro spinal meningitis, at the age of twenty years, five months and fifteen days. Mr. Dunbar was the eldest son of William H. Dunbar of Maplewood avenue, and had only been in this city a few weeks, coming here from Brockton, Mass., with his father who has taken up his residence

in this city. Young Dunbar was passionately fond of the military service and importuned his parents to allow him to enlist. They finally gave their consent and on Feb. 15th he joined Battery M. at Fort Constitution and immediately went on duty. Lieut. Hatch, in command of the battery, said on Sunday that young Dunbar was a most exemplary soldier, quiet and unobtrusive, and was much liked by his comrades. On Thursday last he was taken seriously ill and on the same day was brought to the Cottage hospital, where everything possible was done to save his life. All efforts were unavailing, however, and he passed away after a brief stay of two weeks in his country's service. The body was taken to his late residence, No. 16 Maplewood avenue, where two comrades will remain by the bier until the funeral, which will be held on Tuesday forenoon. Interment will be in Harmony Grove cemetery.

AN EXETER FAIR.

Plan to Reorganize the Rockingham County Fair Association.

A plan is on foot to reorganize the Rockingham County Fair association and to hold annual fairs at Exeter. The association was once flourishing, but for a number of years has been extinct.

The prospects of the Exeter and Epping street railway being built this spring has caused this feeling, which will probably result in the organization being revived. A meeting of the representative men of every town in the county will soon be called to make arrangements for this year's fair; should it be decided that one be held, and the street railway will be asked to subscribe liberally towards its support.

"A Rolling Stone  
Gathers No Moss."

This is merely another way of saying that careless men and women fail to get what is due them. Ordinarily the "moss" is construed to mean wealth or social position, learning or benefit of some kind, but the attainment of any of these depends upon health.

And health depends upon what? The condition of the blood, and but few realize this fact. You cannot be well when your blood is impure. Impurities of the blood clog every organ. Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies by taking out the vicious elements and leaving the blood as it should be—the feeder of life.

**Sarsaparilla Bunches**—"My baby was weak and delicate after scarlet fever. Skin was transparent and blue. Sarsaparilla bunches came on his neck. Three bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla removed them completely and he is now strong." Mrs. Geo. Clark, 322 Chestnut Street, Lynn, Mass.

**Inflammatory Rheumatism**—"Two attacks of the grip left me with inflammatory rheumatism. Am 80 years old, but Hood's Sarsaparilla cured me and I can climb stairs and walk anywhere." J. Loveland, 372 Fargo Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

**Catarrh**—"I suffered twelve years with Catarrh, and could not sleep at night with eczema. Tried different medicines and physicians with only temporary relief. Finally took Hood's Sarsaparilla and Hood's Pills patiently for six months and am entirely cured." P. J. Burns, U. S. Pension Office, Indianapolis, Ind.

**After Fever**—"Typhoid fever left my little girl very weak and thin and with no appetite. She is now fat and well and Hood's Sarsaparilla made her so. It cured my husband's rheumatism." Mrs. Clinton B. Corp, Buckingham Valley, Pa.

**Indigestion**—"I had sinking spells caused by weakness and indigestion, with palpitation of the heart when going up stairs. Physicians' prescriptions did no good but Hood's Sarsaparilla and Hood's Pills cured me permanently." Mrs. Andrew Grieser, Defiance, Ohio.

HAD A FAINTING SPELL.

Chief Engineer Kiley, of the electric light station, had a fainting spell while attending to his duties on Sunday afternoon. Dr. Cheever attended to him and soon brought him about all right.

EARLY THUNDER SHOWER.

A thunder and lightning storm in March opens the spring season with eclat. However, the elements nowadays are all topsy-turvy, and we may expect the unexpected to happen with regularity and dispatch. Early risers on Sunday morning were treated about 5:30 o'clock to several sharp flashes of lightning followed by a couple of peals of quite audible thunder.

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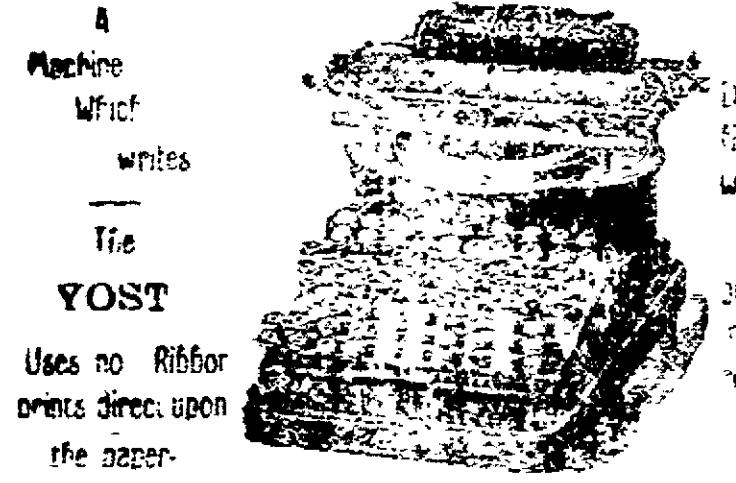
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## BRIGHT AND COLD.

**BY ST. WITH ONE VOICE.**

**Portsmouth People Who Have Investigated, Are a Unit on the Subject.**

The voice of the people, is heard all o'er the land. Trumpet notes of truth. Sounded from East to West. Portsmouth has joined the throng. Many a citizen lifts his voice in praise. Backs relieved of heavy burdens. Enthusiastic people everywhere. Nights of suffering, days of misery, Become nights of rest and days of joy.

It's the constant working of Doan's Kidney Pills.

Are these reports all true?

Ask a neighbor who knows.

Here's a Portsmouth citizen ask her. Read what she says:

Mrs. Eva Muchmore of 26 State street says:—"Doan's Kidney Pill did more than help me. They cured me. I was suffering intensely from pain in my back and lameness in my legs and no one could have made me believe that I would get such immense relief. I had a great deal of trouble with my kidneys. At one time I was given up by two physicians who said I was in the last stages of Bright's disease. I recovered fast, my kidneys have always been in poor shape. I got the first box of Doan's Kidney Pill at Philbrick's pharmacy on Congress Street. They drove away the gurgling pain and lessened the soreness in the small of my back. Doan's Kidney Pill are much effective in kidney troubles. I am pleased to recommend them."

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von Lowenstein-Wertheim, who married Lady Anne Saville, a daughter of the Earl of Mexborough. He moved a good deal in English society and then disappeared mysteriously. An advertisement inquiring after his whereabouts caused considerable speculation in the London press, and now a telegram from Manila has been published saying the prince is at Manila, has been there for many months, was present at the destruction of the Spanish fleet, and was a member of the European club. But, it is added, his behavior aroused suspicion and he was thought to be acting as the confidential agent of the German government.

Before Manila surrendered, it is further alleged, the prince was allowed to pass in and out of the Spanish and insurgent lines, each party apparently regarding him as favorable to themselves. For a few days, it is even asserted, he was a voluntary aide de camp of General Miller, though he was never connected with the American army. The English papers are wondering what is the meaning of these "mysterious movements."

Sir Thomas Lipson has engaged a crew for the cup challenger, numbering 30 men. Half of them are picked Clyde yachtsmen, several having been members of the Thistle's crew and the remainder are English sailors.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie is expected to return in May to Skibo castle, which is being renovated and refurbished during his absence in America.

A number of relics of Sir Walter Scott were sold at auction this week. Among them were 83 letters, which fetched \$125. His walking stick, a stout plect of ash cut in the woods of Abbotsford, was sold for \$205, and two locks of his hair went for two guineas each.

### THE TRADE SITUATION.

**Week Has Proved to be a Notable One In Many Respects.**

New York, March 5.—Bradstreet's says: An enlarged volume of spring trade, particularly in dry goods, due to spring weather, special strength in the demand and price for cotton fabrics, an immense and urgent call at soaring prices for iron and steel and all its products, and substantial advances in wages, chiefly affecting the above mentioned industries; and benefiting at a conservative rate 100,000 operatives, are among the features of the week.

From many cities east and west come reports of an active demand from jobbers for spring dry goods. From the cotton manufacturing industry of the east come reports of activity, inducing manufacturers to grant advances to their operatives, while the list of advances in prices of iron and steel products, whether of crude, of manufactured or even of old material, is a virtual rollcall of that industry's products. An encouraging feature is the small number of strikes for higher wages reported, partly owing to advances already being conceded.

Our export trade in cereals is recovering from the check administered by severe frigid and stormy weather, but reports of damage to the winter wheat crop on the one hand and estimates of superabundant supplies of old crop in farmers' hands have about balanced each other, with a slight advantage as regards price secured by the bear.

Prices generally, aside from the exceptions noted, show few important changes. Talk of new combinations in many lines of trade continues active, but signs are not wanting that promoters find it hard to place shares of companies not widely known.

Business failures number 177 for the week, as against 232 in this week a year ago; 262 in 1897, 270 in 1896 and 253 in 1895.

Weekly bank clearings reflect a renewed expansion in business, following the period of cold weather trade interruption and holidays in a total larger than ever before known, and aggregating \$2,151,607,000, a gain of 30 percent over last week and of 40 percent over this week a year ago. As compared with this time in 1895, 1896 or 1897, current bank clearings are considerably more than doubled.

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### For Over Fifty Years

Now, when our forefathers have been ill, they have taken Burdock Blood Bitters. It cures all pains, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for Diarrhea. Twenty five cents a bottle.

## CONGRESS

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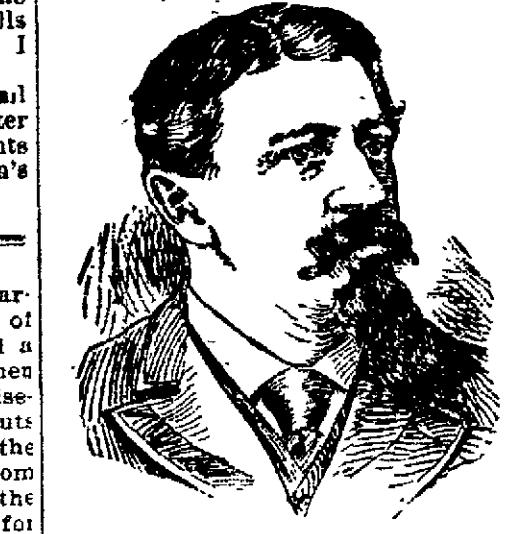
**Both Houses Adjourn Without Day on Saturday.**

**LAST SESSION WAS NOTABLE ONE.**

**Crowded With Most Important Legislation—Large Appropriation Bills Were Passed After Many Conferences—Great Fight Over River and Harbor Bill—No Provision Made For Pacific Cable—Other Matters of Interest.**

Washington, March 5.—Both houses of congress adjourned just after noon Saturday.

The last day of the session, which began at 11 o'clock Friday morning and closed at noon Saturday, was crowded with legislation, the most important measures of this or any previous session for years being passed at that time. These large appropriation measures were



WILLIAM B. MERRIAM.

passed: River and harbor, sundry civil, army, naval, general deficiency and District of Columbia. All these measures were subject to conference after conference, and in some cases angry discussion in both houses.

The chief fight was on the river and harbor bill, which the Northwesterners antagonized because of its failure to provide for an appropriation for irrigation reservoirs for arid regions. They finally gave way, however, and allowed it to pass.

The army appropriation bill passed with an amendment which provided that no franchises were to be bestowed in Cuba by this government. The sundry bill contains no provision for the Pacific cable. The naval appropriation bill provided that the price of armor plate should be \$300 per ton, but the government factory was not authorized; the new warships are to be three battleships, three armored cruisers, three protected cruisers and six light cruisers. In most of these measures the house won the advantage.

George Dewey was nominated and confirmed as rear admiral, and the list of nominations under the naval personnel bill was confirmed, leaving Schley rear admiral, ranking two points above Sampson. No action was taken on the special nominations of the president of promotion of naval officers for services in the Santiago campaign.

William R. Merriam of Minnesota was appointed director of the census. The nomination was sent to the senate Saturday and confirmed.

The house proceedings dragged slowly after midnight Friday, as the conferees on various appropriation bills were not ready to report. Time was killed by frequent recesses, and the members were kept in good cheer by songs and good stories.

At 4:30 a. m. the river and harbor conference's agreement was reported by Chairman Benton, who moved its adoption. This led to considerable discussion.

At 4:45 a. m. the house took a recess until 5 o'clock, when the naval conference report was expected.

At 5 a. m. Mr. Boutelle presented a partial conference report on the naval bill. It covered everything save the three big items—new ships, price of armor and a government armor factory. Mr. Boutelle stated that the senate conferees were weakening, particularly in the reduction of ships, and he thought the house would win on the next conference. The partial report was adopted.

The house insisted on its provisions as to ships and price of armor. Mr. Hepburn of Delaware moved to recede and concur in the senate amendment for a government armor factory; lost 34 to 77. The three main items then were sent back to conference.

The speaker announced as visitors to the United States military academy, Representatives Marsh, Brownell and Jet, to the naval academy, Representatives Dallal, Steel and Settle.

At 6:20 a recess was taken for 20 minutes. At this time appropriations bills were still in conference—naval, sundry civil, deficiency and District of Columbia bill, but they were reported to be progressing at a satisfactory rate.

The two hours from 5:30 to 7:30 were spent in recess, the house reassembling every now and then to see if any word was ready.

At 7:30 a few early stragglers came into the galleries. The third members went in groups to the restaurant for breakfast.

At 7:45 the district conference report was presented and an extended debate occurred on sectarian charitable institutions. The report was adopted.

The conference report upon the deficiency appropriation bill, containing a

## IS IT A TRIFLE?

**THAT COMMON TROUBLE, ACID DYSPEPSIA OR SOUR STOMACH.**

**Now Recognized as a Cause of Serious Disease.**

Acid dyspepsia, commonly called heartburn or sour stomach, is a form of indigestion resulting from fermentation of the food. The stomach being too weak to digest it, the food remains until fermentation begins, filling the stomach with gas, and a bitter, sour, burning taste in the mouth is often present.

This condition soon becomes chronic and being an every day occurrence is given but little attention. Because dyspepsia is not immediately fatal, many people do nothing for the trouble.

Within a recent period a remedy has been discovered prepared solely to cure dyspepsia and stomach troubles. It is known as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and is becoming rapidly used and prescribed as a radical cure for every form of dyspepsia.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets have been discovered for the public and are sold by all druggists for 50 cents per package. It is prepared by the F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich., and while it promptly and effectively restores a vigorous digestion, and at the same time is perfectly harmless and will not injure the most delicate stomach, but on the contrary by giving perfect digestion strengthens the stomach, improves the appetite and makes life worth living.

Send for free book on Stomach Diseases.

An agreement upon all disputed points, was presented at 8:30 and agreed to without a word of debate.

At 9:30 a. m. the final conference report upon the naval bill was presented by Mr. Boutelle. He explained that the senate had yielded to the house as to the number of ships to be authorized (12), and the house had confirmed the armor plate provision so as to limit the cost of armor to \$300 a ton, but had secured the elimination of the provision for an armor plate factory. The report was adopted, and the house recessed again until 10:30.

At 11 o'clock the final ceremonies began. On motion of Mr. Daizell a resolution was adopted directing the speaker to appoint a committee of three to join a similar committee from the senate to wait upon the president and inform him that the two houses had completed business and were ready to adjourn unless the president had some further communication to make to congress. The speaker appointed Messrs. Daizell (Rep Pa.), Reeves (Rep Ill.) and Lanhan (Dem Tex.).

Just at this moment Mr. Evans of Kentucky, who had just been appointed United States district judge by the president, entered the hall and was greeted with an outburst of applause from his colleagues, who crowded about to tender their congratulations.

Another recess for half an hour followed.

During the recesses members stood in groups exchanging felicitations and farewells. There was much good-natured chaffing, and everybody seemed to be in a joyful humor. Meantime the diplomatic and executive galleries had filled and the scene was brilliant and animated.

When the house convened for the last time the hour of final adjournment was but half an hour away. The president's executive clerk announced the president's signature to a host of bills, and the speaker who had been busily engaged signing bills laid another big batch before the house.

The last legislative act of the house was the passage of a joint resolution authorizing the acceptance by the United States of the cession of a tract of land from the state of Massachusetts. Mr. Boutelle said the resolution was urgent to permit to permit the United States to extend the lines of the Boston navy yard. It was now 11:45 by the clock, but at this moment the assistant doorkeeper of the house, armed with a long pole, set back the hands of the clock 10 minutes. But immediately afterwards came a most dramatic episode. General Wheeler of Alabama, who has carefully refrained from exercising his privileges as a member of the house pending the determination of the question as to his right to a seat down near the front on the Democratic side and loudly asked for recognition.

The speaker's face was flushed slightly, but he looked straight ahead as if he did not hear.

"Ask unanimous consent to speak five minutes," shouted the general. But the speaker disregarded him. The situation was intensely dramatic, but Mr. Payne, the floor leader of the majority hurried to the rescue. He moved a recess for 10 minutes.

"Pending that I ask unanimous consent to speak for three minutes," demanded General Wheeler.

The speaker then turned toward him for the first time and looking straight into the gray eyes of the general ignored his request completely, putting the motion of Mr. Payne and declaring it carried.

There is a faction in the assembly which takes seriously the proposition of the mysterious American syndicate, supposed to be represented here by Mr. Ferris, which offers \$12,000,000 on hard conditions, precisely what has not been disclosed. As the assembly has no power to create a lien on the customs, it can do nothing more than recommend something to Governor General Brooke or to Washington. General Gomez is taking no part in the deliberations, and regards the \$12,000,000 as delusive.

Meanwhile the so-called Cuban army remains under arms, and is subsisting upon contributions that amount to blackmail. The planters, by implied duress, are compelled to feed the bands in their district. For instance, the Constance plantation, near Cienfuegos, regularly feeds any Cubans recognized by the district commander, often as many as 50 or 60 a day. Fifteen American soldiers were detailed to guard the plantation, yet the proprietors are constrained to keep 25 Cuban henchmen under pay at \$6 a month, with food and forage. The other day two Cuban officers asked for suits of clothing, so as to appear respectable when they visited Cienfuegos, and the request or demand was complied with.

As the dawn broke over the capitol Saturday morning, a large majority of the membership of the Senate still was in or about the chamber, wherein the last legislative day of the 55th congress was drawing rapidly to a close. All night long the senators had been laboring under a terrific nervous strain to complete the necessary legislation in order that congress might adjourn at noon with its decks comparatively clear. Few, if any, of the members had a wink of sleep, and the drawn faces and heavy eyes of many of the older senators indicated the stress under which they were working.

The anxiety of the early night over the fate of the river and harbor bill was partially dispelled at 1:30 this morning. A determined effort had been made from 3 o'clock last night until 2 this morning by several west-senators, headed by Mr. Warren (R. W. S.), to obtain a

consideration of the conference report on the river and harbor bill, because of the refusal of the house conferees to consent that the separate amendment making an appropriation for the construction of reservoirs at the headwaters of the Missouri should remain in the bill.

Mr. Warren occupied the floor in the discussion of the reservoir proposition for five hours, occasionally being relieved from the strain of speaking by other senators, who talked briefly on the same subject. The situation had every appearance of a determined effort not only to defeat the river and harbor bill, but also to prevent the enactment of other great appropriation measures.

Finally, at 2 o'clock, Senator Frye consented to make one more effort to induce the house conferees to accept the senate reservation amendment. The report was referred to the conferees, and the senate went into executive session.

At 3:30, when the transaction of legislative business was resumed, Mr. Frye reported that the senate conferees had been unable to induce the house conferees to reopen the agreement already made, and that the measure must stand or fall according to its report made.

Then Mr. Warren yielded. Without another word of debate the river and harbor report was agreed to.

Following quickly upon this agreement, another bone of contention was tossed into the senate in the form of a partial report of the naval bill conferees. Mr. Hale (Maine), in charge of the report, said the conferees had been unable to agree upon the senate amendment reducing the price of armor plate to \$300 a ton, and to that authorizing the construction of a government armor plant in the event of the refusal of the armor companies to accept the price fixed by the senate.

Mr. Hale moved that the senate conferees recede from the amendment. This motion created a lively debate. Mr. Hale, Mr. Tullman of South Carolina, Mr. Chandler of New Hampshire and Mr. Ing participants. The senate finally voted Butler of North Carolina being the leaden down Mr. Hale's motion, and sent the bill back to conference.

At 5:30 Mr. Allison of Iowa presented a partial report on the sundry civil bill. It was urgently maintained that the senate conferees ought not to recede from the public buildings amendment, and equal stress was laid on the Hawaiian cable amendment.

The partial report presented by the conference committee was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Allison, the senate receded, after considerable discussion, from the senate amendment inserting several public building projects, the bills for which had not passed both branches of congress.

Mr. Allison then moved that the senate recede from the remainder of the amendments in controversy, including the Pacific cable project. This motion was vigorously discussed by Mr. Pettigrew, Mr. Chandler and Mr. Butler. The last named denounced the action of the house in delivering "ultimatums" to the senate, as "cheek concentrated and gall compounded," and "an insult to the senate."

Mr. Chandler thought it would be better to have an extra session than to have crowded down the senate's throat the constant and oft-repeated ultimatums of the house. Without regard to the condition of the business, he proposed hereafter to vote his sentiments, whether the vote brought about an extra session of congress or not. He would no longer submit to the dictation of the house.

The senate then voted on Mr. Allison's motion to recede from the remaining amendments in dispute, and it was carried, only three or four voices being heard in the negative.

That disposed of the sundry civil bill.

The final conference report on the district of Columbia appropriation bill was agreed to without division.

On motion of Mr. Hansbrough of North Dakota the senate went into executive session.

**SYSTEM OF BLACKMAIL.**

Planters Suffer From Action of Cuban Soldiers Who Refuse to Disband.

Havana, March 5.—The 44 generals and colonels composing the Cuban military assembly had another three hours' discussion yesterday regarding the proposal of the United States government to grant \$3,000,000 to pay off the Cuban troops. No conclusion was reached, and the debate was adjourned, to be resumed on Monday.

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## THE LATEST NEWS OF IMPORTANCE FROM EVERYWHERE.

### FIERCE ENCOUNTER WITH BURGLARS.

### RIVER RISING.

CINCINNATI, OHIO, March 5.—The river has risen rapidly during the past twenty-four hours and is now above the danger mark.

### THE POPE IS GETTING BETTER.

ROME, March 5.—The pope was in excellent spirits on rising this morning, after passing a quiet night and obtaining several hours sleep.

### TRAGEDY IN LAWRENCE.

John Roberts Shoots and Kills the Woman He Calls His Wife.

LAWRENCE, Mass., March 5.—Maria Lechner of 22 Terney street, this city, was shot and killed Saturday morning, and John Roberts is under arrest, charged with the crime. Three shots were fired, one of which took effect in the head and the second entered the body near the heart. It is thought that jealousy was the cause of the crime.

Both Roberts and his victim had lived together here for a long time, excepting an interval of about a year when they were in New Jersey. Roberts claimed that the woman was his wife. She, however, would not admit the truth of the statement. Both were employed at the Arlington mills in this city. They occupied separate boarding places. Each was about 30 age, and the woman had one child.

Roberts called on Mrs. Lechner at her boarding place Friday night. A quarrel arose over some question and they separated with high words. Saturday morning they met for breakfast, as usual, at a restaurant, but the woman seemed very much excited, and after the meal she refused to go to work, returning to her home. Roberts accompanied her, but left the house soon afterwards. He was gone but a short time, when he returned and entering the apartment where the woman was produced a revolver and fired three shots in quick succession. Two of the bullets found the mark, inflicting wounds, either of which, the physician said, was sufficient to cause death.

The stay of the couple in New Jersey terminated about two years ago. Since that time those who are acquainted with them state that quarrels have not been infrequent, but nothing serious was anticipated. It is claimed that each had been married before and separated from husband and wife respectively. All the parties formerly lived in England.

### PENSION CHANGES.

Names of New England Men and Women Added to the Roll.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—The following pension changes, resulting from the issue of Feb. 18, are announced:

Maine—Original, Joshua McHale, Soldiers' home, \$8; Additional, William F. Cunningham, Warren, \$4 to \$8 Restoration and reissue; Wilson Dickey, dead, Swainson, \$6; Increase, Thomas W. Thorndike, West Rockport, \$8 to \$10.

New Hampshire—Original, James A. Givin, Keene, \$8; Reissue and Increase, Francis H. Buffman, Winchester, \$2 to \$6; Vermont—Additional, Sidney Barber, Jerico Center, \$6 to \$8.

Massachusetts—Original, William P. Putnam, East Boston, \$6; Charles D. Horton, North Swanson, \$6; Asa Child Baldwinville, \$6; Reissue and increase, George F. Hill, Shelburn Falls, \$6 to \$8 Original, widows, etc.; Hannah E. S. Drayton, South Hanson, \$8; Reissue, Bridget Jennings, South Natick, \$8.

Rhode Island—Original, Moses Budlong, Providence, \$6.

Connecticut—Original, widows, etc., Mary M. Fuller, Clinton, \$8; Margaret Eatoo, Bridgeport, \$8.

### KIPLING IS COMFORTABLE.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Rudyard Kipling passed an uncomfortable night, sleeping much of the time, and seeming to benefit by it. Else, the poet's three-year-old daughter, also improved during the night. Josephine, aged five, who is at the home of Mrs. De Forest, underwent no change during the night. Among the messages received Saturday at the Grenoble, inquiring for Mr. Kipling, was one from Calcutta.

### THE STOCK MARKET.

Leading Quotations in New York and Boston Markets.

Boston, March 4.—In the outside market call money is quoted at 4 to 6 per cent and time money is nominally 8 per cent.

### STOCK CLOSINGS.

Ashington, Topeka and Santa Fe ..... 225

Bell Telephone ..... 250

Boston and Maine ..... 172

Calumet ..... 73

Chicago, Burlington and Quincy ..... 495

Erie Tel. ..... 85

Great Northern Electric ..... 1615

Halligan ..... 159

Hoover ..... 15

West End ..... 145

New York Stocks.

Delaware, Lackawanna and Western ..... 58

Louisville and Nashville ..... 64

Manhattan ..... 1174

Missouri Pacific ..... 552

Northern Pacific prof ..... 78

Northwestern ..... 149

New York Central ..... 155

Rock Island ..... 17

St. Louis ..... 185

Texas Common ..... 185

Tobacco ..... 108

Union Pacific ..... 493

Western Union ..... 882

### NEWS IN BRIEF.

Former State Supreme Court Justice Nathaniel H. Clement, who recently retired from the bench, died at Brooklyn from a grip. Justice Clement was a leading Democrat and a member of many clubs.

Captain Isaac J. Merritt, Jr., of the Merritt-Chapman Wrecking company, is reported to be dying at New York. An operation for appendicitis was performed yesterday. His father, the famous wrecker, is in the south, and a message has been sent him calling him home.

### KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

PLYMOUTH, MASS., March 5.—William H. Fazio was killed by being struck by lightning this morning, while ringing the bell of the Congregational church.

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### QUEEN HENRIETTA TO DIE.

BRUSSELS, March 5.—Queen Maria Henrietta, who is sick with pneumonia, has suffered a relapse and there is now little probability of her recovery.

### RAISED HIS FLAG.

Admiral Dewey's Colors Are Formally Saluted.

### CEREMONY ON SATURDAY MORNING.

Robots Are Shelled Near Guadalupe—One American Private Killed—American Philippine Commission Is Now at Manila—Transports Senator and Ohio Arrive With Reinforcements.

MANILA, March 5.—Admiral George Dewey raised his flag as an admiral on board the Olympia Saturday morning and was saluted by the guns of the forts, of the foreign warships, the British cruiser Narcissus and the German cruiser Kaiserin Augusta, and by the American ships in port.

At daylight General Wheaton's outposts discovered a large body of rebels attempting to cross the river for the purpose of reinforcing the enemy at Guadalupe, and a gunboat advanced under a heavy fire and poured shot into the jungle on both sides of the river and shelled the enemy's position at Guadalupe, effectively, but temporarily, scattering the rebels. The enemy's loss was heavy.

Private John T. Ouz of battery G, Third artillery, was killed. On board the gunboat Private William Wheeler of company I and Louis Barron of company G, California regiment, were wounded.

Some of the wives of officers have been allowed to land from the United States transports Morgan City, but they have been ordered to return on board that steamer at New Orleans at 9 o'clock on Monday morning by N. T. Brown, general manager of the American Express company, from the third story window of the company's building at St. Charles and Union streets. A red-checked bird was the first to get the points of the compass and disappear before the eyes of the 500 persons who had gathered to see the start. Eight other pigeons followed. Pedro, who was the first to arrive home, is a pretty red pigeon, and is unquestionably the bird that was the first away in the start from the window in New Orleans. He is 3 years old and is owned by Secretary Talens of the club. Pedro is a brother of Lulu, the winner of the 500-mile race in Missouri. Both are imported birds. When Pedro arrived at Mishawaka, he flew straight to his loft, seeming none the worse for the journey.

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WANTED—Case of bad health that H. F. A. will not benefit. Send 5 cents to Ripon Chemical Co., New York, for 10 samples and 1,000 testimonials.

TO LET—Furnished room with steam heat. Apply at 34 Fleet street.

PIANO for sale. High grade upright piano in very good condition must be sold. Address G. H. D. Box 312, Dover N. H.

NOR SALE—Ten R. I. P. A. N. for 5 cents : druggists. One gives relief.

### A THOUSAND MILE FLIGHT.

Pedro, the Homing Pigeon, Which Broke the World's Record.

Pedro, the great homing pigeon which broke the world's record for 100 miles in his swift journey in the air from New Orleans to Mishawaka, Ind., is the pride of the Mishawaka Homing Club, according to a correspondent of that city. Pedro's superb race was made in seventy-five hours total, or in less than fifty hours of actual flying. Carrier pigeons never



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## WEALTH OF PIRATES.

### THE TARANTULA'S GROWTH.

In Skin Must Be Shed to Allow It to Increase in Size.

An event of more than ordinary interest occurred in Key West yesterday morning. A large female tarantula was seen for the second time since it was taken in captivity. These familiar with insects, spiders and related creatures are aware that they are incased by a hard, unyielding integument. Increase of size is permissible only when the old skin is shed and one that has been newly formed lengthen expands to the requisite degree. This is a process constantly occurring in nature, and ever excites interest in the border. When a large spider three inches long throws off the old integument it is a thrilling sight.

In the present case, the tarantula had evidently been feeling unwell for some days, a condition frequently preceding this process among insects, and yesterday morning she was found lying on her back and apparently dead, but moved a little upon being disturbed.

She lay thus until about 12 M., when the rustling her movements made excited attention. The old skin had then ruptured around the thorax in such a manner that the top could be removed entire, and through this opening the giant spider was literally working out of her old skin. This was accomplished by the aid of the eight legs and the two leg-like palpi. At the end of an hour the change had been effected. The spider lay upon her back, beside the perfect skin, resting from the severe exertion.

That there is a great deal of hidden treasure in Florida there can be little doubt, but the secret of the hiding place died with the Spaniards, who were killed by the ferocious Seminoles and the pirates who infested this coast in earlier times. Anastasia Island was frequently visited by Lafitte, the pirate of the Gulf coast, whose voyages extended to Galveston, Texas, and the lakes of Southern Louisiana. The Government finally ran him down, and he left buried gold at many points on the coast. Drake railed and burned the town shortly after its settlement, and the boldfaced "Blackbeard" took what he could find when his piratical vessel landed there. Morgan and Floyd also paid visits to St. Augustine, and "Black Caesar," a negro, also scoured the coast, and it is believed buried some of his stolen treasure on Anastasia Island. His negro crew mutinied over a division of the spoils and some were killed. Two or three deserted, and they have left a tradition that large sums were buried and landmarks taken so that the treasure could be found on the return of the vessel. But Black Caesar and his "long, low, rakish craft" never returned. The landmarks soon disappeared. Certain it is that several farmers who located upon this island shortly after Florida was ceded to the United States have become wealthy. The yield of their farms was not very large, and the supposition is that they accidentally stumbled upon jars of gold in digging foundations for houses.

Black Caesar was the most blood-thirsty pirate that visited this coast, not excepting the drunken, ruffian Blackbeard. He invariably burned any vessel that he overhauled, and either cut the throats of the crew or let them go down in the burning vessel. There is a creek in Southern Florida bearing his name. It is a deep creek, its outlet almost hidden from view. Up this creek he would sail and secrete his booty, repair his vessel or wait for vessels to come along the coast, when his black painted vessel, flying the black flag, would suddenly appear, as if a vision from the infernal regions. In the center of this creek is a rock, known as Caesar's rock, which still shows evidence of the visitation of Caesar's vessel—rusty pieces of iron, an anchor and part of an old canon.

The crews of wrecked vessels also buried their money along the coast and were either killed by the hostile Indians or fled for their lives. In either event, the treasure remained buried and its location forgotten or the sailors never returned.

The stories of hidden treasure on the coast of Florida and in this ancient city are not myths based upon stories of early Spanish residents, as many lucky finds will testify. An exploring party, under the guise of tourists, recently took a trip down the coast, touching at the various islands and putting in at the inlets, ostensibly fishing and hunting. While this is part of the programme, they are out more for profit than for pleasure.

**To Preserve Wood.**

The Gauchos, or dwellers in the extensive plains of Buenos Ayres are marvelously dexterous with both hands and feet. Many of them have acquired through long practice such skill in using their toes as if they were fingers that they can fling the lasso and even pick pockets with them. Some time ago Frenchman, who was fishing in one of the rivers of Buenos Ayres, was warned to be on his guard against the light-fingered natives. He forthwith kept a vigilant watch upon his companions, but, nevertheless, one day when his attention was closely riveted on his float a wily Guacho drew near and, delicately inserting his foot, extracted the Frenchman's hooks and other valuables from his pocket.

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**Peruvian Beauties.**

It is said the young women of Lima, the capital of Peru, approach nearest to perfection in beauty. They are

straight and willowy, have soft, round, beautiful faces, with luxuriant black hair combed up from their foreheads.

Their eyes are extraordinarily brilliant. They all dress in black which they apparel on the street and are very demure, though in their homes they

are vivacious and dress in gay colors.

**To Heat by Gas Jet.**

The gas from an ordinary jet can be

used to heat a room by means of a new appliance, consisting of a metal ball

built up of shells sprung together, with an opening at the bottom which fits over the burner tip, apertures being provided at the sides for the mixing of air with the gas.

**Bath Tube for Invalids.**

Invalids can be given tub baths by

means of a newly patented tub, which

is made of collapsible rubber, with a

number of rubber tubes arranged along

the sides and bottom, to be inflated after

the patient is placed upon the col-

lapsed bath, causing the tub to assume

its proper shape.

**Careful Transportation.**

A crockery dealer shipped 325 dishes

from Lansing, Mich., to a missionary at Teheran, Persia. The goods were

seven months in transit, and were car-

ried 800 miles by caravan, but only one

dish in the lot was broken.

**Cost of Ironclads.**

In the leading navies of the world

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only day in the year on which the

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### MAKING ARMOR.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE PLATE PLANT AT HOMESTEAD.

**The Severe Tests Imposed—The Immense Amount of Work Required to Produce a Single Plate—The Tremendous Pressure Brought to Bear to Shape Them.**

Owing to the interest manifested throughout the United States in our national defense, there has been a general desire to learn the resources of the Carnegie Steel Company in the matter of supplying armor plate. A gentleman who has spent several years in the employ of that company, and who is thoroughly acquainted with the processes involved in the manufacture of armor at Homestead, Penn., gave a complete account of the various processes of the work of manufacture.

"First of all," said he, "the armor plant at Homestead is made up of the armor rolling mill, press and machine shops, and Harveyizing departments. The rolling mill does not differ materially from other mills except that the machinery employed is excessively heavy. The press shop, where the monster plates are shaped to the lines of the vessel for which they are intended, offers many features of interest. Here may be found the gigantic press, capable of developing over 100 tons pressure to the inch. Then there are the huge reheating furnaces and the oil tank for tempering.

A novel feature about the furnaces is the movable beds, or floors. This arrangement was made necessary because of the great weight of the plates, the plan being to draw the bed to the outside of the furnace, so that a crane may be readily used, as the armor is much too cumbersome to be drawn in the ordinary manner.

The liquid contained in the oil tank is a mixture of crude petroleum, fish oil and resin, fish oil predominating.

When a plate is ready to be tempered it is placed in one of the furnaces and submitted to a severe heat, the size of the plate determining the degree of heat and the length of time required.

Meanwhile the oil has cooled to a temperature of 90 to 100 degrees, it being usually

much above that owing to frequent use.

The plate is then drawn from the furnace and submerged in the tank to a depth of six or eight feet, where it is supposed to remain until the oil has

thoroughly cooled. It is then replaced in the furnace and annealed, after which it is placed in a pit and covered with cinders, thus allowing the heat

to radiate uniformly."

The informant continued: "The armor, assuming it to be a ten-inch plate, the thickness of the shield and conning tower plates of the Oregon and sister ships, is supposed to remain in the cinder pit forty-eight to sixty hours. It is then ready for the final physical test, which is made to determine the tensile strength. Should the plate pass the required test, it is then machined and fitted with bolts, or keys, ready to be fastened to that part of the vessel for which it is intended, the shaping of the plate having been attended to before the tempering. It is in this hardening process that all armor plate makers experience much difficulty, the curved plates showing a decided tendency to warp from their peculiar shapes when subjected to severe heat."

"The Harvey process, about which so much has been said, is a complicated method of carbonizing the surface of a plate to the depth of three or four inches. Silica sand, slack and a clay mixture are spread over the plate, after which it undergoes an intense heat, and is finally allowed to cool off in the furnace. A Harveyized plate is regarded by armor experts as much superior to one that is oil tempered, because of its greater density and consequential resistance."

The time consumed in the manufac-

ture of an ordinary armor plate is

from three to six weeks, but it should

be borne in mind that there are al-

ways several in various stages of com-

pletion at one time. Once work is be-

gun and the chain set in motion, about

300 tons of armor can be completed

monthly. This does not seem like a

large amount, considering that one

plate sometimes weighs 50,000 pounds.

Before a plate is regarded as finished

all the necessary nuts and bolts to

fasten it in place must be completed

and ready to be shipped with it.

**When a group of plates is finished,**

one of the number is selected by a

member of the Ordnance Bureau to

be forwarded to the Government prov-

ing grounds at Indian Head, there to

be submitted to the final test for ballis-

tic resistance by naval experts. Should

the selected plate meet the require-

ments of the test the entire group is

passed. If the selected plate fails to

stand the test, permission is obtained,

if possible, to test a second, and, if

needed, a third plate. If both the lat-

er plates fail to stand the test the

group they represent is rejected. On

the other hand, if either one passes

the group is accepted by the Govern-

ment.

### Scotland's Strange Birds.

From the small island of St. Kilda,

off Scotland, 20,000 young gannets

and an immense number of eggs are an-

nually collected, and although this bird

lays only one egg per annum and is

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ously such birds must reach a great

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**THE HERALD.**

**MONDAY, MARCH 6, 1899.**

**STETSON'S BIG SHOW.**

Had the great and only Barnum been in Elizabeth, Saturday, he could have created no more commotion among children and ladies than did Stetson's Big Uncle Tom's Cabin company. Parents and children began assembling at an early hour along the promised route of procession and when it came none was disappointed. It was an overwhelming surprise to all. The double band, elegantly uniformed, with spirited air attracted attention. The musicians were followed by half a dozen Siberian bloodhounds, each led by a keeper; then came a handsome Shetland pony, with "Little Eva" gracefully astride, and the steam caliope.

The two performances at the Temple opera house, afternoon and evening, enjoyed by immense audiences, surpassed any presentation of "Uncle Tom" ever made in this city. Every one on the large stage, including pony and hounds, were first class, leaving nothing to be desired. "Topsy" was irrepressible, while the Kersands jubilee singers elicited the utmost enthusiasm—tears, however, filling the eyes of many when the "Suwanee River" was rendered. Both "Marks" kept the audience in convulsive laughter.—Elizabeth (N.J.) Leader.

This will be the attraction at the opera house, Wednesday afternoon and evening, March 8.

**OBSEQUIES.**

The funeral services over the remains of Michael Nugent were held on Sunday afternoon from the residence of William Pendergast on Stark street. Rev. Fr. Creeden, curate at the Church of the Immaculate Conception officiating.

Interment took place in the family lot in St. Mary's cemetery under the direction of Undertaker O. W. Ham.

Isaac M. Wallace was buried Saturday afternoon from the home of his grandson, Herbert Wallace, on Pickering street, Rev. Myron Tyler, pastor of the Court street Christian church, officiating.

Interment took place in Harmony Grove cemetery under the direction of Undertaker O. W. Ham.

**THE SPRING MONTHS**

Are most likely to find your blood impure and flaccid in red corpuscles which enable it to carry nourishment to the nerves and other organs. Therefore you feel weak, tired and listless and are troubled with spring humors. Relief is given by Hood's Sarsaparilla which purifies enriches and vitalizes the blood.

Hood's Pills cure biliousness. Mailed for 25 cents by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

**MOVE IN RIGHT DIRECTION.**

It is rumored that the water commissioners are to shortly give up their present offices and occupy the board of fire engineers office in the city building. This will be a move in the right direction as it will be the saving of several hundred dollars office rent every year.

**COAL ALL DISCHARGED.**

Workmen finished discharging coal in the barge Elmwood on Saturday evening, and she will be towed around to Boston today, where repairs will be made. The tow boat company have done good work in raising the craft, and it is now thought she is not so badly injured after all.

**ANNOUNCEMENT.**

Today, and every day next week, our advertised agents, the Globe Grocery Co., will sell you a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, "The Best Salve in the World," and guarantee it to cure Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all Skin Eructions, and positively cures Piles or money refunded.

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**A MILITARY BALL.**

A number of members of Company A, Third regiment, New Hampshire volunteers, who went to Chickamauga during the Spanish war, are to give a grand military ball right away after Lent. A meeting will be held next Thursday evening to perfect arrangements.

**Y. M. C. A.**

An informal social for young men was held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Congress street, on Saturday evening. A graphophone concert and refreshments served to pass away a very pleasant evening.

"I suffered for months from sore throat. Electric Oil cured me in twenty four hours." M. S. Gist, Hawesville, Ky.

**TEA TABLE TALK.**

Jorkins expressed himself on politics Saturday. He usually views things hopefully, but in this case he started out in a pessimistic mood. "Government by the people," said Jorkins, "is all humbug. There is no such thing. It is government by a ring of bosses every time. Barrels of money are tapped at each election,—it is dealt out in fifty or a hundred dollar bunches to those voters known as 'floaters,' and they go to the polls and vote as their buyers dictate. Like a flock of sheep they crowd to the ballot box, these fellows who periodically sell their souls and then get drunk on the proceeds."

"Thus the votes of honest-minded, independent citizens who ballot according to their consciences are reduced to naught by the 'floaters,' whose numbers are sufficient to swing the election their own way. Government by the people, indeed? Rats! That can never be until the common people balk at being driven up to the polls under the goad of a greenback or a quart of rum. I am forced to this conclusion, greatly as I regret to confess it."

"For instance: a man comes up for re-election who has been a failure in his office. The public, on the street corners and in the eel pots, revile him and threaten to beat him on election day. What really happens? Why, after the votes have been counted, it develops that this man is again a winner, against the tide of public sentiment. Now is there any other explanation except that the majority of these howlers were brought around at the last minute by the potent influence of a wad of money or a box of cigars? In other words, they were bribed to go weakly into the ballot room and vote for the man with whom they are really dissatisfied. Nice type of government, isn't it?"

I asked Jorkins what he thought of the approaching city election. Said he, "It's all a bewildering mix-up. You don't know how your closest friend is going to vote. Rumors of all kinds of 'deals' and 'trades' are flying through the air every day. If one eel pot you'll hear a Hett-Tilton deal. In another you'll hear it contradicted. One side-walk group is discussing a Hett-Etwistle swap. Another springs an Emery deal and an Urch deal and a Quinn deal. There are criss-cross deals, and even deals, and odd deals. It would take an expert accountant to straighten 'em all out and discover who's getting the best of it."

"Yes, it's all confusion and vexation of spirit to the lowest voter who likes to know what is what. As for myself, I pay no attention to these rumors. I shall vote all by my lonesome, for the men whom I think will fit the positions best. I've about lost my faith in human nature, though. An acquaintance will button-hole you one minute and swear that he's for such a candidate: the next minute you'll see him whispering with a ward heeler who has always been his deadliest enemy. A fellow with a big cleaver in his hip pocket,—sharpened for you, too,—greets you cordially, fills your clothes with cigars, inquires tenderly about your wife and the children, then goes off and stabs your best friend, whom he has promised to support."

Jorkins sighed. "I don't know but a professional politician has to be a cheerful har. Many of them seem to make it a special study. I'm afraid too many keep one hand on a Bible and the other on a pack of playing cards. Some I wouldn't trust with a copper watch. Of course there are exceptions, but the exceptions cut very little ice in the general result. Say, I guess I'll become a politician. There must be money in it. Anyway, you have a chance to get back at your enemies, sometimes."

"Portsmouth is decidedly unique in our regard," continued Jorkins. "I think this city affords the only instance in American municipal politics where the city clerk takes it upon himself to relieve every mayor of his duties. It is very kind in him, but it is liable to make him round-shouldered and seems to me quite unnecessary as the mayor is always willing to tend to his own job to the best of his ability. Upon what precedent the city clerk assumes this extra load, I do not know. It probably comes from the exuberant sympathy and kindness of his large heart. But his salary should certainly be increased to reward him for all this additional work, and we might even make him a permanent incumbent, to be retired on a fat pension in old age, but still to advise his successor in the fine points of dog registration and the like."

"This simplifies city politics to a large degree. For may there not spring up some day a man brainy enough to act as mayor, city clerk, treasurer, auditor, tax collector, aldermen, council and even dog catcher? It may not be just yet, but I believe such a happy condition is bound to arrive. This man

may not, perhaps, be born here in Portsmouth. He may hail from Eliot, Hampton or Coos county. Perhaps we shan't know where he really did start from. But such a man, combining all mortal attributes and capable of running a whole city unassisted, will surely come some day."

**CITY BRIEFS.**

"If I were a man," she fiercely cried, "Do you know what I would do?" "You'd stop sometimes," the wretch replied.

"And thus let me explain my side With at least a word or two."

—Chicago News

The roads are in a very bad condition.

Only four weeks more to Easter bonnets.

Just three weeks more of Lent remain after this week.

Rubber boots and mackintoshes were in demand yesterday.

The York Steam laundry does the best of work. Harry Chick, Agent.

The republican and democratic Mayoralty caucuses are being held today.

The lighthouse tender Lucia tied up at the Gas house wharf over Sunday.

The selectmen of the town of Seabrook have been in town again today.

The republican mayoralty caucus opens at four o'clock this afternoon at the court house.

County Commissioner George W. Paul has returned from a two weeks' visit to Washington, D. C.

The "S. G." Londres is made of the choicest stock and is the best ten cent cigar in the market.

The condition of postmaster William O. Sides, who has been sick for the past week, is again very critical.

Fashionable women are trying to make themselves look like bearpoles now. Embonpoint is vulgar.

Local liverymen claim that this has been the worst season for business that they have experienced in years.

Wheelmen are longing for the spring thaw to end and the roads to dry out enough to make cycling possible.

Have your shoes repaired by John W. Mott, 34 Congress street. Satisfaction guaranteed. Hand sewed work a specialty.

The electric arc lights were a little late in being turned on Sunday evening owing to a slight accident to the engine.

The fact that the democrats are anxious that Jenkins is the choice of the republicans for Mayor ought to be a tip to the republicans.

The work of altering over the store in Mendumblock on Pleasant street recently occupied by Christopher Smart was commenced this morning.

It has been a party custom in this city for years to give the mayor two terms and an effort will be made on the part of the friends of Mayor Tilton to give him a renomination.

Capt. Thomas Jackson of Brooklyn, N. Y., is here preparing a genealogy of the Jackson family. He finds the archives of the Athenaeum a very valuable storehouse for family history.

The tugs Honeybrook, Gladiator and Seguin are still tied up at Jones wharf, and the latter will stay here until the tug Ice King arrives to tow her to Bath, Me., for repairs to her propeller.

A large and valuable bulldog belonging to Mr. Charles McCarthy, got overboard on Saturday and was unable to get out, and but for the timely assistance of Master John Page, would have been drowned.

Capt. W. F. Spicer, U. S. M. C., who is to go to Guam with a detachment of marines from this navy yard, received orders on Saturday detaching him from duty at this yard. His successor has not yet been named. Capt. Spicer will be accompanied by a detail of 24 men from this station.

The railroad committee of the house of representatives will give a hearing at Concord Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock on the application for a charter for the Exeter and Lemp road. Responsible parties are said to stand ready to build the railroad as soon as the necessary franchises are granted.

**SUNDAY EVENING SERVICES.**

Conservatory orchestra assisted at the vesper music service at the Unitarian church on Sunday evening, the following being the programme:

Prelude—Antaride from Mass in B flat.

Mercadante—Orchestra and Organ.

Antenor—"The Radiant Morning has Passed Away."

Woodward—Abt Solo for Coronet.

Antenor—"The Last Wish."

Barnby Postlude—Credo, Mass in B flat.

Mercadante—Orchestra and Organ.

Rev. George W. Gilo gave his third lecture in his special course to young people, at the Middle street church on Sunday evening and in spite of the bad evening, was listened to by a large audience. He took for his theme "The Keeping of the Heart" and gave a very interesting address.

**PERSONALS.**

G. Fred Drew passed Sunday in Boston.

Sunday was not a good day for churchgoers.

Mrs. F. S. Towle went to Boston on Sunday.

Charles Leeman of Lynn spent Sunday in town.

Col. Charles P. Berry passed Saturday in Boston.

M. J. Crowley came down from Boston on Sunday.

Hon. John W. Sanborn was a visitor here on Sunday.

Mr. Frank Philbrick of Boston passed Sunday in this city.

Justin V. Hansom has recovered from his recent illness.

Bert Fay was a passenger on the Boston train on Sunday evening.

Dr. George Pender went to Boston on Sunday evening on business.

George Pettigrew of Haverhill spent Sunday at his former home in this city.

C. E. Almy of Hon. Frank Jones' office, has recovered from a week's illness.

Mr. Fielding Bradford of Portland passed Sunday in this city with relatives.

Mr. E. Percy Stoddard of Boston passed Sunday in this city with his mother.

Col. M. H. Gregg passed Sunday in Boston with his daughter, Mrs. E. M. Poitevin.

Arthur A. Carey of Boston was in town on Sunday and registered at the Rockingham.

Mr. Robert Simes of Boston was in town on Saturday on a brief visit to his former home.

Mr. Wm. H. Gardner is very ill with some affection of the heart at his home on Dennett street.